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Expedited Procedure - Group 2177

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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
: Examiner: M. Ali
KENTARO MATSUMOTO et al.)
: Group Art Unit: 2177
Application No.: 09/651,293)
: Filed: August 30, 2000)
: For: RECORDING APPARATUS)
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 22, 2003, the term for responding to which having been extended to January 22, 2004 by the accompanying Petition For Extension Of Time, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first-class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on

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